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SUBJECT: CSCE: MEDITERRANEAN DECLARATION LANGUAGE ON MILITARY
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1. WORKING GROUP ON CSCE MEDITERRANEAN DECLARATION HAS SPENT
TWO MEETINGS DISCUSSING A PARAGRAPH RELATING MILITARY SECURITY
TO THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA AS A WHOLE. UP TO NOW YUGOSLAVS,
MALTESE AND CYPRIOTS HAD STUCK TO THEIR ORIGINAL IDEA OF EXTENDING
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APPLICATION OF CBMS TO NON-PARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN STATES

(NPMS).

2. AS INDICATED REFTEL, WE FIRMLY OPPOSED THIS CONCEPT, AS WELL AS ITALIAN DRAFT COMPROMISE LANGUAGE WHICH STATED THAT PARTICIPATING STATES SHOULD QUOTE ENSURE THAT PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE FIELD OF SECURITY IN EUROPE CONTRIBUTES ALSO TO THE SECURITY OF THE STATES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION, BASED ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUTUAL RELATIONS OF CONFIDENCE. UNQUOTE.

3. YUGOSLAVS HAVE NOW CIRCULATED A REVISED DRAFT COMPRO-MISE PARAGRAPH WHICH WOULD DROP IDEA OF EXTENDING CBMS TO NPMS. TEXT FOLLOWS: QUOTE.

(THE PARTICIPATING STATES DECLARE THEIR INTENTION) -- TO SEEK TO INCREASE CONFIDENCE AND STABILITY IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE NON-PARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN STATES, SO AS TO PROMOTE SECURITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA AS A WHOLE; UNQUOTE.

4. WE BELIEVE THIS LANGUAGE HAS EFFECT OF FOCUSING PARAGRAPH ON BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN PARTICIPATING AND NON-PARTICIPATING STATES, AND AVOIDS IMPLICATION THAT CBMS MIGHT BE EXTENDED TO COVER EXERCISES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN. IT THUS MEETS CONCERNS EXPRESSED IN STATE 144608, AND UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED WE WOULD PLAN TO ACCEPT IT AT THE APPROPRIATE MOMENT, PROBABLY AT MEETING OF WORKING GROUP NEXT WEEK. DALE

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